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UUBJECT: PAKISTAN JAMHOORI PARTY MEETS AT LAHORE

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1. NAWABZADA NASRULLAH KHAN, PRESIDENT OF PAKISTAN JAMHOORI PARTY (PJP), SAID PARTY WILL CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE FOR DEMOCRACY, RULE OF LAW AND COOPERATION OF LIKE-MINDED POLITICAL GROUPS. ADDRESSING A JOINT MEETING OF PJP'S NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL WORKING COMMITTEES, KHAN REPORTEDLY URGED ALL PARTY WORKERS TO ESTABLISH CLOSE CONTACT WITH MASSES AND EDUCATE THEM ABOUT COUNTRY'S REAL ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SITUATION. PJP SECRETARY GENERAL RANA ZAFRULLAH KHAN AND OTHER PROMINENT PARTY FIGURES ATTENDED TWO-DARY MOOT (JUNE 26-27).

2. IN A SEGEES OF RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT SESSION PJP REPORTEDLY CONDEMNED WIDE-SCALE ARRESTS OF PROMINENT OPPOSITION LEADERS UNDER DEFENSE OF PAKISTAN RULES, ASSERTING ARRESTS ARE A CONSPIRACY TO SPREAD FEAR, INCREASE HARASSMENT AND END DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. RECENT POLICE INTERROGATION OF M.K. KHAKWANI WAS CITED (REF A).
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PARTY ENDORSED UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT'S RECENT DECISION

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TO BOYCOTT GENERAL ELECTIONS UNLESS GOVERNMENT TAKES
PROPER STEPS TO ENSURE FREE AND FAIR POLL (REF B).
USUAL DEMANDS WERE MADE THAT STATE OF EMERGENCY BE
REMOVED, HOLITICAT HRIUGNERS FREED, SECTION 144 REPEALED
AND PRESS CENSORSHIP LIFTED. PJP CLAIMED PROPOSITION HAS
BOYCOTTED BY-ELECTIONS BECAUSE OF PREVAILING CIRCUMSTANCES
AND NOTED THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN UNCOOPERATIVE
ATTITUDE OF RULING PARTY.
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